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- 11. (C) During an October 13 meeting with Mohammed al-Hassan, Director of Political Affairs for Minister of Foreign Affairs Yusef bin Alawi, Pol-Econ Chief delivered ref A and B demarches and urged the Omani government to strongly consider making a contribution to reconstruction efforts in Georgia. Al-Hassan replied that Oman had no real national interests in Georgia or the Caucuses region and had more pressing needs for government funds.
- 12. (C) Comment: Al-Hassan made clear that Omani financial aid for Georgia was unlikely. Post accordingly does not expect Oman to participate in the Georgia Donors' Conference in Brussels. End Comment. GRAPPO